Disappearing Bibliographic Information and LCRI 12.7.B4.2

Electronic Serials That Don't Retain Earlier Titles

If an electronic serial is reformatted so that all evidence of the earlier title is removed, give the earlier title in a note. Give a note explaining that the earlier title no longer appears in the serial...

In addition to loss of original title, there are also electronic serials where all evidence of earlier bibliographic information is removed. When the cataloger identifies this, how should this information be recorded in the e-serial record? Should integrating resource cataloging practices be applied to these situations?

Existing catalog copy (Note: this example not an existing catalog record and created pre-aggregator neutral):

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| y 1090-0500

130 0 American journal of health studies (Online)

245 00 American journal of health studies |h [electronic resource].

260 Tuscaloosa, AL: |b Program in Health Studies in the College of

Education at the University of Alabama

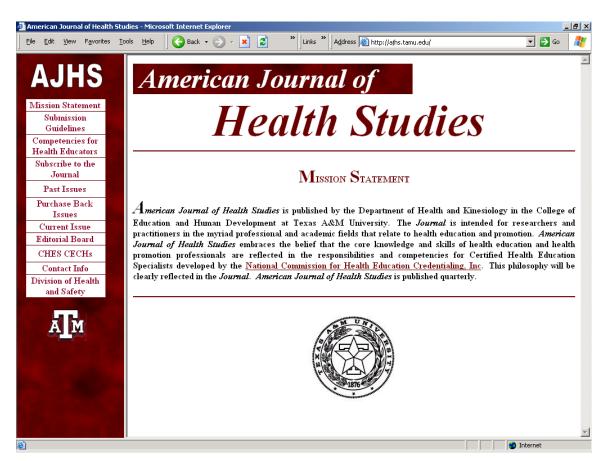
500 Description based on: 14.1 (1998); title from home page.

530 Also available in print.

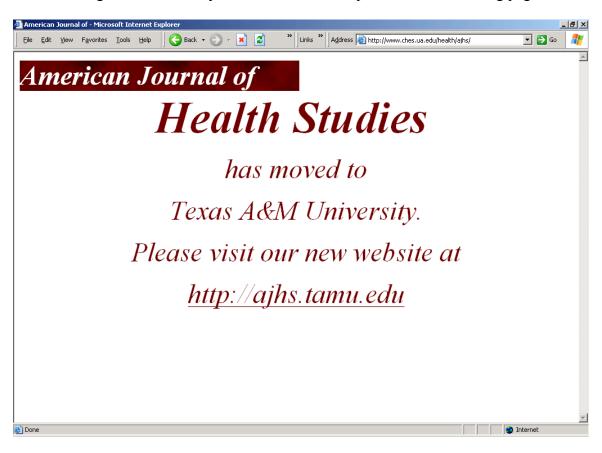
776 1 |t American journal of health studies |x 1090-0500 |w (DLC)...

856 40 |u http://www.ches.ua.edu/online/health/wang/
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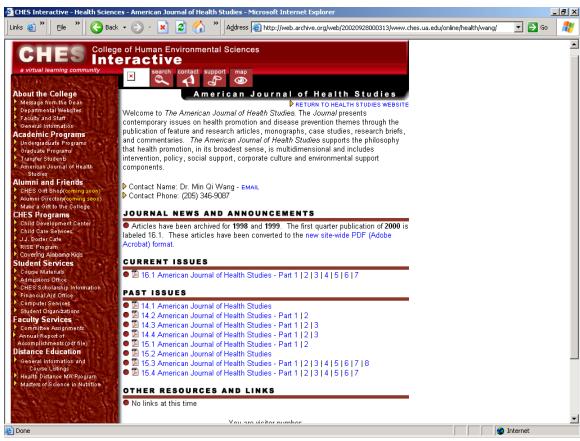
At some point, publication has moved from the University of Alabama to Texas A & M University. In the process, all sources indicating the original publisher have been removed from the electronic serial. The only publication information available in its current iteration is:



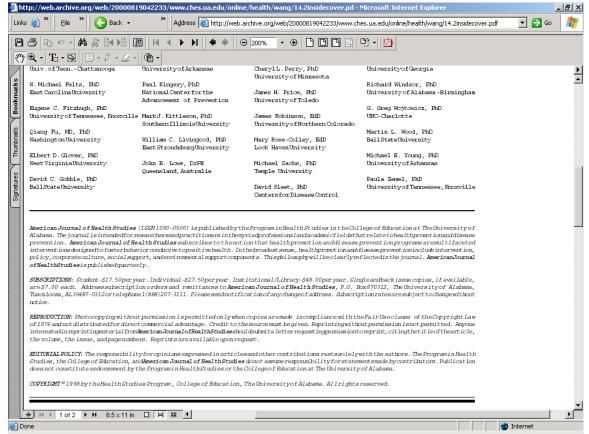
However, creative searching of the University of Alabama web site produces the following page:



If the cataloger goes to the point of researching in the Internet Archive, they will find the original presentation from the University of Alabama with an original publication statement from an issue PDF:



AJH Home page as it appeared on Sept. 28, 2002



AJH first issue masthead as it appeared Sept. 28, 2002

How does the cataloger edit the existing record to account for the change of publisher?

- Keep 260 as is and note later publisher
- Redescribe based on current iteration and note earlier publisher
- Other?

Does the cataloger need to note that earlier bibliographic information no longer appears in the electronic serial?

Should the aggregator-neutral approach be used in this case? Would the answers be different if the e-serial were born digital with no print version?